February 28, 2019

Subject: NO! NO! NO! on bills SB 738, SB 457, AND SB 874

Dear Members of the Education Committee, State of Connecticut Legislators and Governor Ned Lamont,

I am writing to state my strong opposition to any regionalization of schools in Connecticut especially in Fairfield County and most specifically in Wilton, Connecticut.

I have lived in Wilton, Connecticut for twenty years and am a mother of three school age children.

OUR FAMILY moved to Wilton in 1999 for the EXCELLENT SCHOOLS! That was the NUMBER ONE reason we choose to live in Wilton and RAISE OUR CHILDREN in WILTON!

My children have benefitted from the stellar, super professional administration, world class teachers and exemplary BLUE RIBBON nationally ranked school system that WILTON IS.

Now is NOT the time to regionalize the schools- there is NO time and NO reasons to ever regionalize!

Let the towns that are not producing good school systems work on their own issues using our town as a model but HANDS OFF OUR SCHOOLS!

I AM A LONG TIME WILTON RESIDENT - I HAVE BEEN PAYING HIGH TAXES FOR TWENTY YEARS - THE TOP QUALITY SCHOOLS ARE WHY WE MAINTAINED OUR WILTON ADDRESS- my children are currently in middle school and high school and I need the schools to remain strong and worth the high tax bill for many more years!

I AM STRONGLY OPPOSED TO the bills SB 738, SB 457, AND SB 874.

I strongly agree with all that James Kettle, a fellow Wilton Resident wrote and sent in a letter to the Education Committee.

Thank you for reading this letter and thank you for listening and thank you for hearing my voice - PLEASE VOTE NO on SB 738, SB 457, AND SB 874!

Sincerely, Jane Mitchell